

January 22, 2010

The City is ready to launch our **new Web site** next week at the Board of Mayor and Alderman Meeting on Tuesday night, but you can be the first to give it a "test drive." Go to http://r4-p17/ for your first look, it is only viewable on City computers. We are also now on Facebook, Twitter, Youtube and Flicker, so sign up and be a fan or follow us on our social media pages. We have been working on the layout and design and content since mid 2009 and our dedicated team of web representatives from each department have migrated more than 300 pages to the new site through our new content management system since mid December. I'd like to thank our **Core Team**, **Milissa Reierson, Joshua Stauter, Monique McCullough and Fred Banner** and the following Web representatives for all their hard work. Please contact your department web representative with any feedback you have on the new site or email Milissa.reierson@franklintn.gov.

Deanna Scheffel-Parks
Anna Shuford-Parks
Charles Warner-Police
Ricky Brown-Police
Christy Lowe-Streets
Evan Rayburn-Water Management
Jamie Mooney-Fire
Geoff Wollard-Fire
Kristen Corn-Law
Matt Reinders-Finance
Mike Lowe-Finance

Mike Pierson-Solid Waste
Sara Sylvis-Human Resources
Candace Connell-Human Resources
Tracy Harness-Human Resources
Sarah Roop-Engineering
Sarah Sappington-CIP
Shanna McCoy-Building & Neighborhood
Services
Susan Coleman-Planning & Sustainability
Erin Reinders-Planning & Sustainability

Congratulations to our Finance Department for winning the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the second year in a row! The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) awarded Franklin for Fiscal Year 2009 - 2010 Budget. The Distinguished Budget Presentation Award represents a significant achievement and reflects the City of Franklin's commitment to meet the highest principles of governmental budgeting. The GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting.

A reminder about using the <u>City of Franklin logo</u> on merchandise and clothing. There are guidelines posted on **Inside the City** at the following link. Please take a look at these guidelines

and make sure your materials are representing our City well. There are pictures of how the logo should look on a light or dark background. (*Hint-the columns should always be white!*) We have seen some logos get reversed or stretched or distorted. If there is ever any question, please have your vendor send a final proof to Milissa Reierson or Monique McCullough prior to a final print. http://inside/administration/Shared%20Documents/Logos/Design%20Guidelines/COF%20Design%20Guidelines.pdf

Have you always wanted to try out the "Jaws of Life," break down a door, or ride in a platform at the top of a 100 foot aerial ladder truck? Then the **Franklin Fire Department's Citizens' Fire Academy** is for you! The Franklin Fire Department is **accepting applications for 2010 Citizens' Fire Academy**. *Apply now for this free program offered April 8 – May 27*. During this eightweek, hands-on program, participants ride along on fire calls and fire inspections, learn how to operate hose lines and other fire equipment, perform vehicle extrication and search and rescue, learn CPR ,and ride in a platform at the top of a ladder truck. I was able to participate last year and it was a great learning experience and a lot of fun. **For more information call (615) 791-3270 or email Marler at**

Water Management Director Mark Hilty and Norma Berrones from Revenue Management will be on the Hispanic Radio Station La Ley on Monday January 25 to talk about water conservation and the Water Hog Water Hero campaign. And the following Monday, on February 1 Steve Sims and Norma will again appear on La Ley to talk about Municipal Court. La Ley is offering the City a regular spot on Mondays to provide City information to Hispanic Citizens.

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